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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Jose REMACLE et al. Confirmation No.: 7897

Appln. No.: 10/723,091 Group Art Unit: 1639

Filed: November 25, 2003 Examiner: Wessendorf, Teresa D.

For: METHOD FOR STABILIZING PROTEINS ON A MICRO-ARRAY

Attorney Docket No.: 4044.001

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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. BOX 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on November 3, 2004, setting a three month period for response, which is due on February 03, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks, and requests reconsideration.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

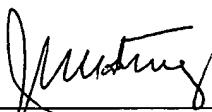
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

CERTIFICATION OF MAILING AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing **AMENDMENT A** for U.S. Application No.: 10/723,091 filed November 25, 2003, was deposited in first class U.S. mail, with sufficient postage, addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on **February 3, 2005**.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required at any time during the prosecution of this application without specific authorization, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0877.



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